Identification of Backward Districts

2432. DR. MOHAN BABU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some backward districts have been identified;

(b) if so, State-wise, details thereof and the names of such districts in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) whether any scheme has been formulated for development of the backward districts; and

(d) if so, the details thereof together with financial allocation for development of those district in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) to (d) Planning and development of an area and allocation funds for the purpose is primarily the responsibility of the concerned State Government. Planning Commission has not identified any district as backward per se. The Central Government supplements the efforts of the State Governments, including Andhra Pradesh, in the development of backward areas through appropriate weightage for backwardness in the formula used for distribution of Normal Central Assistance. Further, Special Central Assistance is also allocated to the Government of Andhra Pradesh under Tribal Sub Plan.

Gross Domestic Product

†2433. SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gross Domestic Product of the country has continuously increased over the last years;

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, what was the Gross Domestic Product during the years of 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99; and

(c) the amount attributed by the sectors of agriculture, industry and service therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Gross Domestic Product at constant (1993-94) factor cost has been estimated by the Central Statistical Organisation (CSO) as Rs. 998978 crores in 1996-97, Rs. 1049191 crores in 1997-98 (Quick Estimate) and Rs. 1112206 crores in 1998-99 (Revised Estimate).

(b) The GDP originating from agriculture, industry and service sectors during the years 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99 are given in the statement.

Statement

Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost
(Rs. Crores at 1993-94 prices)

Sector	1996-97	1997-98(Quick Estimate)	1998-99 (Revised Estimate)
Agriculture	280179	277418	298381
Industry	267609	283444	295147
Services	451190	488329	518678
Total	998978	1049191	1112206

SOURCE: Press Note on Revised Estimate of Annual National Income and Quarterly Estimates of Gross Domestic Product 1998-99, Central Statistical Organisation, Ministry of Planning and Programme Implementation, Government of India.